



Division of Community and Public Health

**Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services
2019 Dead Bird Reporting
Week 52
Ending December 28, 2019**

Birds die from many different infectious diseases or exposure to toxins. The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) does not tests dead birds for the presence of West Nile virus (WNV). The agency does, however, receive reports of WNV-infected birds from other state and federal agencies that manage wildlife or domestic poultry. Identifying infections in wild and/or captive birds can be effective for determining that WNV is active in a region.

Dead birds need not be collected and tested in order to be useful in WNV surveillance programs, however. Simply collecting information about the temporal and spatial patterns of bird deaths in an area has provided information about WNV activity. DHSS' Internet Dead Bird Reporting Form is being used to track reports of dead birds because they may be an early sign of WNV activity in an area. Users of these data are cautioned that reports from the public are not authenticated or confirmed and are subject to inaccuracy. For more information on reporting and disposing of dead birds, go to <https://webapp03.dhss.mo.gov/DeadBird/Index.aspx>

SUMMARY OF REPORTS THROUGH DECEMBER 28, 2019	
COUNTY	NUMBER OF BIRD REPORTS PER COUNTY/CITY
Christian	1
Franklin	1
Jackson	1
Polk	1
St. Louis	11
St. Louis City	8
St. Charles	4
Greene	1
Cole	1
TOTAL	29

Birds Tested and Found Infected with West Nile Virus or other Arboviruses

Avian Cases Listing Endemic Arboviruses through December 28, 2019					
Year	State ID#	County Name	Collected Date	Species	Arbovirus
2019	MOBD190001	Cole	08/26/2019	Great Horned Owl	West Nile



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Dead or Dying Birds Reported through the DHSS Dead Bird Report Form

REPORT DETAILS THROUGH DECEMBER 28, 2019

BIRD SPECIMEN TYPE	COUNTY	ZIP CODE	DATE FOUND
Owl	Polk	65725	2/13/2019
Hawk	St. Louis	63031	2/21/2019
Hawk	Jackson	64131	2/27/2019
American Crow	Franklin	63090	3/13/2019
Owl	St. Louis	63128	3/26/2019
Common Grackle	St. Louis City	63110	4/14/2019
Northern Cardinal	St. Louis	63131	4/22/2019
House or Common Sparrow	St. Louis	63017	5/6/2019
Owl	St. Charles	63304	5/7/2019
Finch	St. Louis City	63108	5/24/2019
American Robin	St. Louis City	63108	5/24/2019
House or Common Sparrow	Greene	65804	5/30/2019
Common Grackle	St. Louis City	63139	6/1/2019
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American Crow	Cole	65109	6/2/2019
American Robin	St. Charles	63367	6/3/2019
House or Common Sparrow	St. Charles	63376	6/8/2019
American Robin	St. Louis	63132	6/19/2019
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American Crow	St. Louis City	63109	7/2/2019
American Robin	St. Louis City	63109	7/23/2019
Hawk	Christian	65714	8/3/2019
American Robin	St. Louis	63117	8/14/2019
American Crow	St. Louis	63125	8/24/2019
Northern Cardinal	St. Louis	63044	8/28/2019
House or Common Sparrow	St. Charles	63303	10/11/2019
American Robin	St. Louis City	63116	11/20/2019



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